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REMARKS

At the outset, the Examiner is thanked for the thorough review and consideration of the pending application. The Office Action dated September 7, 2005 has been received and its contents carefully reviewed.

By this Amendment, Applicant amends claims 1 and 10. Accordingly, claims 1-19 are currently pending. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-19 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by <u>Tsuchida et al.</u> (EP 1061548). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Claim 1 is allowable over the cited references in that claim 1 recites a combination of elements including, for example, "...wherein a screen transmittance of the panel equals to (a width of the red phosphor + a width of the green phosphor + a width of the blue phosphor) / (the widths of the red, green and blue phosphors + widths of the black layers between the red, green and blue phosphors) x 100, and wherein said screen transmittance of the panel increases and then decreases along a line from a center portion to a peripheral portion of the panel." None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least this feature of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1 and claims 2-10, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Claim 10 is allowable over the cited references in that claim 10 recites a combination of elements including, for example, "...wherein a screen transmittance of the panel satisfies the following conditions: $STM_{HALF} > STM_{C}$, and $STM_{HALF} > STM_{H}$; wherein said screen transmittance of the panel equals to (a width of the red phosphor + a width of the green phosphor + a width of the blue phosphor) / (the widths of the red, green and blue phosphors + widths of the black layers between the red, green and blue phosphors) x 100..." None of the cited references, singly or in combination, teaches or suggests at least this feature of the claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that claim 10 and claims 11-19, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited references.

Applicant believes the application is in condition for allowance and early, favorable action is respectfully solicited. If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-

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7500 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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